

July 29, 2003

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**APPROVE SUBMISSION OF TWO FEDERAL COPS GRANT
APPLICATIONS
(ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Authorize the Sheriff to submit two (2) grant applications to the Federal Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Office requesting a total of \$800,000, with no local match required, to sustain the Regional Community Policing Institute's (RCPI) programmatic activities, address Police Integrity, and Community Policing Development.
2. Instruct the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to sign the following grant application documents:
 - Required Signature form
 - Assurances form
 - Certifications form

The Chair's original signature is required on the application documents. Facsimile signature stamps will not be accepted by the funding agency.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's Regional Community Policing Institute - Los Angeles (RCPI-LA) is a recognized leader in conducting successful community policing training. RCPI-LA has demonstrated a capacity to deliver innovative community policing training and technical assistance to law enforcement agencies and their communities. Due to the recognition, the Federal COPS Office has provided the Sheriff's Department the opportunity to submit two (2) grant applications to receive \$800,000 in funding. The opportunity to obtain this funding will allow the Sheriff's Department's RCPI to continue its programmatic activities, address Community Policing Development activities, and Police Integrity.

Implementation of Strategic Plan

The grant programs conform to the Los Angeles County's Strategic Plan as they will enhance the Sheriff's Department's Regional Community Policing Institute's service excellence through specialized training that is beneficial to our jurisdiction and outlying agencies.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The COPS Grant Programs will provide funding in the sum of \$800,000 with no local match required. The proposed projects will fund 100 percent of seven (7) full-time staff positions for one (1) full year to coordinate, administer, and monitor the two (2) grant programs. Funding will also be utilized to pay for travel expenses, training consultants, supply costs, and other office products necessary to implement the projects.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The Federal COPS Office requires the Governing Body to sign the required application documents prior to submission to their office. The application documents have been reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

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IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

If the Sheriff's Department is awarded the funding totaling \$800,000 in grant funding, it will have a positive impact on current services especially within the Department's Regional Community Policing Institute. The potential funding will allow RCPI to remain intact and continue its successful efforts of creating a regional forum for information exchange.

CONCLUSION

Upon the Board's action, the Sheriff's Department needs to obtain four (4) individually certified copies of the Board-adopted letter. The Sheriff's Department's contact for the requested Board action is Karen Anderson, Grants Manager, at (323) 526-5408.

Sincerely,

LEROY D. BACA
SHERIFF

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